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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 1 October 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

East Timor

Briefing by Mr. Ian Martin, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the East Timor Popular Consultation

Other matters

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1414th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

Announcement

The monthly tentative forecast has been made available to Member States in accordance with the Notes by the President of the Security Council dated 27 July 1993 (S/26176) and 30 April 1998 (S/1998/354). In accordance with the aforementioned decisions, copies of the tentative forecast have been placed in the delegations' boxes and may be collected at the delegations' "pick-up area".

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 20th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Emomali Rakhmonov, President of the Republic of Tajikistan

2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Botswana

   Bolivia

   Malawi

   Bahamas

   Haiti

   Togo

   Grenada

3 p.m. 21st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Estonia

Lao People's Democratic Republic

Madagascar

Philippines

Vanuatu

Azerbaijan

Mauritania

Dominica

Ethiopia

Eritrea

Angola

Marshall Islands

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The speakers in the general debate are reminded that the General Assembly, in paragraph 21 of the annex to resolution 51/241, has indicated a voluntary guideline of up to twenty minutes for each statement in the general debate.

In line with several strong appeals by the President of the General Assembly, speakers are kindly requested to make an extra effort in observing this 20-minute voluntary guideline for the general debate so that the list of speakers for each day shall be completed in a timely manner.

FIFTY-FOURTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Live Webcast of the general debate of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly is available at the General Assembly Web site at the following address:

http://www.un.org/ga/22special/ga54/IndexE.htm

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Executive session on gratis personnel provided by the governments
2. Draft report

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Second regular session

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Announcement

The daily briefing of the Spokesman for the Secretary-General for members of permanent missions will resume on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 12.30 p.m.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 1 October 1999

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE
(Annual Coordinating Meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Member States of the Organization of the Islamic Conference)

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77 OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE
(on the organization of work)

1.30 p.m.-3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

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The Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations (CONGO) will conduct a consultation on the evolving relationship between non-governmental organizations and the United Nations, *today*, 1 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. Members of delegations, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the United Nations University (UNU), in cooperation with the World Conservation Union (IUCN), are organizing the second session in the UNU/UNITAR Series, entitled "Workshop on International Environmental Law". Session II will be conducted in English *today*, 1 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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Briefings

The United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) will hold briefings on UNIFEM regional programmes in support of the Beijing Platform for Action on the following days from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m.:

Today, 1 October, in Conference Room 8: Latin America and the Caribbean;

Today, 1 October, in Conference Room 9: Central and Eastern Europe;

Monday, 4 October, in Conference Room 8: Africa; and

Tuesday, 5 October, in Conference Room 6: Asia and the Pacific.

Delegates from these regions and interested Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Anu Gupta (tel.: (212) 906-6289).

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Seminar

There will be a seminar on "Is Poverty Engendered?", organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women and the Development Policy Analysis Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, *today*, 1 October 1999, from 11 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room DC2-2127 (DC2 Building). The seminar will be conducted by Ms. Shahra Razavi of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD). All members of delegations and Secretariat staff are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Maria Hartl (tel.: (212) 963-3140) or Mr. Henk-Jan Brinkman (tel.: (212) 963-4742).

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Announcement

As from *today*, 1 October 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immeidately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, 2 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 22nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Swaziland

Trinidad and Tobago

Afghanistan

Republic of Moldova

Comoros

Cameroon

Rwanda

Burundi

Kyrgyzstan

Liberia

Maldives

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Second regular session

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Monday, 4 October 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	23rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	24th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons [106]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/268);

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.6*).

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* To be issued.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	3rd meeting	Conference Room 3
3 p.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 3
Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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* Following the adjournment of the 4th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

SIXTH COMMITTEE:

WORKING GROUP ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 51/210 OF 17 DECEMBER 1996

10 a.m.	7th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	8th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

11 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will begin its general debate on all disarmament and international security items from 11 to 20 October 1999. Those delegations wishing to participate in the general debate are requested to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers, as soon as possible, with the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-2977B; tel.: (212) 963-0049; fax: (212) 963-5305).

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

In accordance with its approved programme of work and timetable contained in document A/C.4/54/L.1, the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will begin its substantive work on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1. Delegations wishing to participate in the general debate on decolonization and related agenda items are urged to kindly inscribe their names on the list of speakers with the Secretariat of the Committee (room S-2977; tel.: (212) 963-9223), as soon as possible.

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The Second Committee will begin its general debate on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Committee, is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee, Ms. June Knesl, (tel.: (212) 963-5709; fax: (212) 963-5935).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The list of speakers for *all items* allocated to the Third Committee is open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work (in accordance with document A/C.3/54/L.1, as approved by the Committee at its 2nd meeting) on Wednesday, 6 October 1999, at 10 a.m., with agenda item 106 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Kate Starr Newell (tel.: (212) 963-4248; fax: (212) 963- 5935).

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will hold its 3rd meeting on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following items on its agenda: Organization of work (A/C.5/54/1, A/C.5/54/L.1/Rev.1* and A/C.5/54/L.2); Item 129 (Financing of the United Nations Angola Verification Mission and the United Nations Observer Mission in Angola: Report of the Secretary-General on the findings, observations and recommendations contained in the report made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the procurement process in the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (A/53/1018)); Item 130 (Financing of the activities arising from Security Council resolution 687 (1991): (a) United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission: Report of the Secretary-General on the developments relating to the issue of overpayment of mission subsistence allowance and compensatory time off (A/53/1023) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/54/418)).

Following the adjournment of the 3rd meeting, the Committee will hold informal consultations on agenda item 118 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: Procurement reform (A/C.5/52/46, A/52/ 887, A/52/1010, A/53/271 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/53/692).

At 3 p.m., the Committee will consider agenda item 169 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in East Timor (A/54/380)) and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/54/406), following which informal consultations on item 169 will be held.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers on all the items before the Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to do so with the Office of the Secretary of the Fifth Committee (tel.: (212) 963-0542; fax: (212) 963-0360).

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* To be issued.

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The Under-Secretary-General for Management will make a statement to the Fifth Committee on item 122 (Improving the financial situation of the United Nations) on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

The Secretary-General will address the Committee on that occasion.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 10 a.m. sharp in Conference Room 9.

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will give a briefing on the programme of work of the Commission on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. All interested delegations are invited to attend. A note on the proposed organization of work for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission can be obtained from the Secretariat in room 1370 (DC2 Building).

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Secretariat of the United Nations.

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(briefing by the Under-Secretary-General of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs)* on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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There will be a coordinating meeting of the Association of the South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN), convened by the delegation of Myanmar to the First Committee, on disarmament issues and other related matters on Monday, 4 October 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room E. Delegations to the First Committee of the ASEAN Member States are invited to attend.

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Briefings

There will be a briefing for delegations by the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Ms. Yakin Ertürk, on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1, on agenda items 99 (c) (Women in development), 109 (Advancement of women) and 110 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Panel discussion

On the occasion of the two-day plenary of the General Assembly devoted to the International Year of Older Persons, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom Mission to the United Nations and HelpAge International will hold a panel discussion on the topic "Beyond 1999 - Poverty, Independence and the World's Older People" on Tuesday, 5 October 1999, at 1.15 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, H.E. Mrs. Julia Tavarez de Álvarez, Permanent Mission of the Dominican Republic, and Ms. Flora MacDonald, Chair of HelpAge International and former Canadian Minister for External Affairs, will be the panellists. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Special meeting

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in cooperation with the International Monetary Fund's Special Representative to the United Nations, will hold a debriefing following the September 1999 Interim Committee meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). The meeting will be conducted in English on Thursday, 7 October 1999, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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Workshop

The UNITAR/UTA/WTO Workshop on International Trade Negotiations will take place from 20 to 22 October 1999 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in New York. The nomination form was already sent out to all the permanent missions, with the information note. The registration deadline is Wednesday, 13 October 1999. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684).

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CONFERENCE ON FACILITATING THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR-TEST-BAN TREATY (CTBT)

The Conference on Facilitating the Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) will be convened from 6 to 8 October 1999, at the Redoutensaele in the Hofburg Palace in Vienna, Austria. The opening plenary meeting will take place on Wednesday, 6 October, at 10 a.m.

The Conference is convened by the Secretary-General in his capacity as Depositary of the CTBT, pursuant to Article XIV, paragraph 2, of the Treaty. In addition to the ratifiers and signatory States of the CTBT, the Conference is open to non-signatory States to attend. International organizations and non-

provisional agenda and the draft rules of procedure were issued as documents CTBT-Art.XIV/1999/1 and 2. A background paper by the Provisional Technical Secretariat of the CTBTO Preparatory Commission was issued as document CTBT-Art. XIV/1999/3. Additional copies of these documents are available in the Department for Disarmament Affairs (room S-3140).

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views of ratifiers and signatories on facilitating the entry into force of the Treaty is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact Mr. Shirchinjan Yumjat at the Secretariat of the Conference, Vienna International Centre (Austria) (room E0717; tel.: (431) 26030-6124; fax: (431) 26030-5953).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 28 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Twenty-second special session

4th plenary meeting

Credentials of representatives to the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly: report of the Credentials Committee (A/S-22/8) [3 (b)]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Credentials Committee in paragraph 15 of its report (A/S-22/8) (resolution S-22/1).

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3 (b).

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: continuation of the debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Surin Pitsuwan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Thailand; H.E. The Honourable Janet Bostwick, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bahamas; H.E. Mrs. Lila Ratsifandrihamanana, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Madagascar; H.E. Mr. Ali Alatas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia; H.E. Mr. Youssouf Ouédraogo, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso; H.E. Mr. Jan Pronk, Minister for Environment of the Netherlands; H.E. Mr. Tichaona Jokonya, Chairman of the delegation of Zimbabwe; H.E. Mr. Abdus Samad Azad, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh; H.E. Ms. Akmaral Arystanbekova, Chairman of the delegation of Kazakhstan; H.E. The Honourable Jakaya Kikwete, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania; H.E. Mr. Ion Gorita, Chairman of the delegation of Romania; H.E. Mr. Fawzi Bin Abdul Majeed Shobokshi, Chairman of the delegation of Saudi Arabia; H.E. Mr. Alfonso Ortega Urbina, Chairman of the delegation of Nicaragua; H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Chairman of the delegation of Guatemala; H.E. Mr. Alounkèo Kittikhoun, Chairman of the delegation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; H.E. Mr. Naste Čalovski, Chairman of the delegation of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; H.E. Mr. Alfonso Valdivieso, Chairman of the delegation of Colombia; H.E. Mr. Baboucarr-Blaise Ismaila Jagne, Chairman of the delegation of the Gambia; H.E. The Honourable Ismail Shafeeu, Minister of Home Affairs, Housing and Environment of Maldives; H.E. Mr. Kataotika Tekee, Minister of Environmental and Social Development of Kiribati; H.E. Mr. Jacques Louis Boisson, Chairman of the delegation of Monaco; H.E. Mr. Inocencio Arias, Chairman of the delegation of Spain; and H.E. Mr. Dore Gold, Chairman of the delegation of Israel.

5th plenary meeting

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: conclusion of the debate [8]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Rajkeswur Purryag, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. José Pereira Batista, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Guinea-Bissau; H.E. Mr. Hasmy Agam, Chairman of the delegation of Malaysia; H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis, Chairman of the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda; and H.E. Mr. Lee See-young, Chairman of the delegation of the Republic of Korea.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Luigi Boselli, Chairman of the observer delegation for the European Community (on behalf of the European Commission); H.E. Archbishop Renato Raffaele Martino, Chairman of the Observer Delegation of the Holy See; H.E. Mr. José Antonio Linati-Bosch, Chairman of the observer delegation for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta; Mr. Robert Underwood, Observer of Guam; Mr. Carlyle Corbin, Observer of the United States Virgin Islands; H.E. Chief Emaka Anyaoku, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Secretariat; H.E. Mr. Noel Levi, Secretary General of the South Pacific Forum; H.E. Lt. Gov. Togiola Tulafono, Observer of American Samoa; H.E. Mr. Simón Molina Duarte, Secretary-General of the Association of Caribbean States; H.E. Mr. Edwin Carrington, Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community; and H.E. The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Observer of Anguilla.

In accordance with the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 1st plenary meeting, the Assembly heard statements by Mr. Atherton Martin, Executive Director of the Caribbean Conservation Association; Ms. Losena Tabanakayau Salabula, Assistant Director of the Pacific Concerns Resource Centre; and Mr. Oomar Karabary, Representative of the Pan African Movement.

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: Report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole (A/S-22/9) [8]

Adoption of the final document [9]

The Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session, H.E. Mr. John Ashe

(Antigua and Barbuda), made a statement in the course of which he introduced the report of the Ad Hoc Committee (A/S-22/9).

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session in paragraph 22 of its report (A/S-22/9) (resolution S-22/2).

The General Assembly also adopted the draft decision recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-second Special Session in paragraph 23 of its report (A/S-22/9).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Samoa.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda items 8 and 9.

Closing statement by the President

The President made a statement.

Minute of silent prayer or meditation [2]

The General Assembly observed one minute of silent prayer or meditation.

Closure of the twenty-second special session

The President declared closed the twenty-second special session of the General Assembly.

Wednesday, 29 September 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

17th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable Seymour Mullings, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica; and H.E. Mr. Bronislav Geremek, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland.

Address by H.E. Mr. Malam Bacai Sanha, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau

H.E. Mr. Malam Bacai Sanha, President of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Right Honourable Donald Mckinnon, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of New Zealand; H.E. Mr. Saïd Ben Mustapha, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia; H.E. Mr. Vartan Oskanian, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Armenia; H.E. Mr. Jean Ping, Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and the Francophonie of Gabon; H.E. The Honourable Allan Cruickshank, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Tourism and Information of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; H.E. Mr. Yerodia Abdoulaye Ndombasi, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Democratic Republic of the Congo; H.E. Mr. Algirdas Saudargas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lithuania; and H.E. Mr. Patrick Albert Lewis, Chairman of the delegation of Antigua and Barbuda.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Rwanda, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Thursday, 30 September 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4049th (resumed) meeting

The situation in Africa

Progress report on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa (S/1999/1008)

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Jamaica, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without

the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Statements were made by the Secretary for Foreign Affairs of the Philippines, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation of Rwanda, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Togo, the Minister of State for External Affairs of India, the State Secretary for Foreign Affairs of Slovakia, the Minister for External Relations of the Sudan, the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Senegal, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique and the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ghana, and by the representatives of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and South Africa.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union, the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia - and the associated countries, Cyprus and Malta, as well as the EFTA country member of the EEA, Iceland, which aligned themselves with this statement), the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Jamaica, the representatives of Egypt, Portugal, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Belgium, Japan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Morocco and the United Arab Emirates, by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Comoros and by the representatives of Cuba, Swaziland, Uruguay, Zambia, Uganda, Pakistan and Nigeria.

The representatives of Canada and the United States made statements.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

18th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

H.E. The Honourable Said Musa, Prime Minister, Minister for Finance and Foreign Affairs of Belize, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Sheik Hamad Bin Jassim Bin Jabr Al-Thani, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Qatar; H.E. The Honourable Rajkeswur Purryag, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Trade of the Republic of Mauritius; H.E. Mr. Rodolphe Adada, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Congo; H.E. Mr. Farouk Al-Shara', Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Syrian Arab Republic; H.E. Mr. Hong Soon-young, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea; H.E. Mr. Benjamín Ortiz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ecuador; and H.E. The Honourable Billie Miller, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Barbados.

19th plenary meeting

Note: The summary of the 19th plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/189).

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE
RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Twenty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 1999

574th meeting

Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child [7]

The Committee held a meeting on the theme "The Convention on the Rights of the Child: A Decade of Achievements and Challenges".

575th meeting

Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child [7]

In the framework of the commemoration, the Committee held workshops.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Extension until 30 September 2001, with modifications, of the International Coffee Agreement, 1994, approved by the International Coffee Council in Resolution No. 384. London, 21 July 1999

Acceptance: Gabon (10 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Colombia (14 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Rwanda (15 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Netherlands (30 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Acceptance: Democratic Republic of the Congo (22 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Togo (22 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Burundi (23 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Angola (24 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Ecuador (24 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Japan (24 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Germany (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Costa Rica (28 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Cuba (29 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Belgium (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Brazil (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Côte d'Ivoire (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Finland (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: France (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Greece (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Honduras (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Ireland (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Italy (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Jamaica (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Luxembourg (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Spain (30 September 1999)*

Acceptance: Sweden (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: Switzerland (30 September 1999)*

Provisional application: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (30 September 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Habitat Day, 1999

On the occasion of the World Habitat Day, 1999, the New York Office of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat) will hold a panel discussion on the theme "Cities for All" on Monday, 4 October 1999, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. All members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of United Nations agencies and programmes, representatives of non-governmental organizations and accredited correspondents are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 1999 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Burundi
H.E. Mr. Gamaliel Ndaruzaniye

Asian States:
Uzbekistan
H.E. Mr. Alisher Vohidov

Eastern European States:
Bulgaria
Mr. Vladimir Sotirov
Chargé d'affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Peru
H.E. Mr. Fernando Tudela

Western European and other States:
Italy
H.E. Mr. Francesco Paolo Fulci

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